Welcome to the Highlands United Methodist Church

A joyous welcome to you! We are glad each of you has come to worship the Lord. We are a hearing looped church.

Ask an usher if you need help with your hearing device.

The 9:09 Bluegrass Service

Welcome

Music "Give Me That Old Time Religion"

"I'm Gonna Sing When the Spirit Says Sing"

Special Announcements\Joy Time

A Time to Offer our Gifts to God

A Time to Share our Concerns at the Cross

(During this time you may bring your Ministry Bag to the altar.)

Music "It Is No Secret"

Scripture Luke 6:27-38

A Word of Faith

Music "Just a Closer Walk With Thee"

Sending Forth

Closing Music "I'll Fly Away"

Sunday School for All

Adult Sunday School Classes

Buck's class meets at Buck's Coffee Shop and is led by Wiley & Sarah Sloan. (9:30am)

Seekers meet in the Conference Room and is led by Steve Bruner (9:45am)



The 10:10 class

meets in the Scout Room and is led by Bob Hood. (10:10am)

New Adult Class ~
Crossroads meets
between services ~ 20's
-50's - Study-Social
Activities-Service Projects

Children's Sunday School - Meet in the Children's Sunday School Room at 10:00am.

Youth Sunday Chats! - Meet in the Youth Center between services.

Attendance on February 17th 9:09-102 10:50-68

Wednesday Evening Activities for Children & Youth 6:00-7:00pm Meet in big preschool room.



Set up one-time or automatic giving for your tithes and offerings on the website: www.highlandsmethodist.org

You can also give on the kiosk in the Faith & Fellowship Center

Budget

Operating Fund ~ Year-to-Date - 12/31/18

(revised)

	Actual	Duugei
Contributions	\$777,500	\$831,200
Expenses	\$757,400	\$831,200
Net Income (deficit)	\$20,100	\$-0-

Ministry Bags

Each month we collect items for different ministries.

For the month of **February** we're collecting men's & women's toiletries, socks, soap, bandaids, & feminine hygiene products for **Haywood Street homeless shelter in Asheville**.

Altar Flowers for the sanctuary: The Altar Guild of HUMC welcomes the gift of flowers for our 10:50 worship service. Flowers may be given to remember or honor loved ones, to give thanks, or to celebrate a special event, such as a birthday, anniversary, or a baptism. The cost for altar arrangements is \$55. Special order arrangements may cost more. Please fill out one of the forms beneath the calendar, outside Randy's office, and place in Sonja's box across from the church office or call the church office in the week. **Flowers are needed for March 17, & 24, and May 19 & 26.**

The Community Table is a weekly meal for everyone in the community. There is **NO cost** and **NO** need to make a reservation. Join us at **6pm each Tuesday** at the Highlands Community Building.



To receive Pastor Randy's daily email devotions, "Ruminations and Reflections", please email him at randyhumc@icloud.com

To receive **church email updates and news** please email Sonja at highlandsumc@icloud.com



Like us on Facebook ~ Can't make it to church on a Sunday? You can now watch our worship services each Sunday on Facebook. Look for the latest happenings and church news.

Scan the **QR Code** on your smart phone to go to the church website

Find out about upcoming events, ministries, how to serve and much more.



A Look Ahead

- Combined Worship Service, March 3rd We will have a one-church, combined service of worship on the Sunday following the called Special Session of General Conference. Our Worship will begin at 10:00am which will include Holy Communion with a covered dish meal to follow. Make plans to stay for lunch and bring your favorite dish for all to enjoy. Please make every effort to join us for this special opportunity to affirm and celebrate our oneness in Christ.
- Pancake Supper ~ Tuesday, March 5th from 5 7pm at the Episcopal Church to benefit the Gordon Center for Children. Donations accepted. Take Outs Available!!!
- **Ash Wednesday** ~ Wednesday, March 6th Supper at 5:15pm with an Ash Wednesday Service following at 6:00pm in the Faith and Fellowship Center
- Outing to Haywood Street in Asheville ~ Sunday, March 17th ~ to be in ministry, for anyone who would like to go to serve at the Haywood Street Community Welcome Table. Meet at the church at 12:45pm. See Christine for more information.
- **Women's Breakfast** ~ Join us on Saturday, March 23rd at 8:30am in the Faith & Fellowship Center for our first women's breakfast. We'll share a prepared casual meal full of fellowship and sharing.
- **9:09 Potluck Breakfast** ~ March 31st will be potluck at the 9:09. Bring your favorite breakfast dish to share by 8:30am.
- **Youth Mission Trip** ~ The youth will be going to Haiti April 12-16. See Christine for more information.

Youth Retreat at Mt. Shepherd ~ April 26-28

Youth Sunday ~ May 5

New Sunday School ~ **Crossroads**- begins March 17th between services. We'll discuss: single life, dating, careers, marriage, parenting children, divorce, empty nesting, all the crossroads of your 20's to 50's Meet for coffee & goodies in the F&FC and monthly for an Adult Night Out Adventure.

The Altar Flowers in the sanctuary this morning are given in honor of Sabrina Cashion for her craftsmanship and generosity to so many.

HUMC News ~ For those who don't have email, you can pick up a weekly hard copy of the HUMC News at one of the Information/Donation Stations around the church. To be added to the weekly email list, email the church at highlandsumc@icloud.com.

Birthday Wishes to (February 24) Mary James; (February 25) Gloria Padgett, Bobbie Russell; (February 26) Andre Gabbard, Mitzi Rauers; (February 29) Debbie Brock; (March 1) Mary Brooks

Happy Anniversary to (February 25) Bob & Sandy Carlton; (February 28) Cotton & Bobbie Russell

Nursery Help Needed ~ We will need substitute Nursery attendants on the following Sundays for both services: March 10, April 14, and April 21. If you would like to help and minister to our smallest during either service (or both), please call Christine or email her at christinehumc@icloud.com.

The 10:50am Traditional Worship Service

Seventh Sunday after the Epiphany

UMH: United Methodist Hymnal; † Congregation standing

Please enter the sanctuary in a spirit of prayer and meditation

Large print copies of the hymnals and Bible are available in the narthex.

Gathering

Welcome/Passing of the Peace

Church Announcements

Opening Voluntary Peace Medley arr. S. Bruner

Opening Prayer

†Hymn of Praise "Help Us Accept Each Other" UMH #560

Scripture Reading Genesis 45:3-11, 15 pew Bible, p.42

Affirmation of Praise The Apostles' Creed UMH p.881

Tithes and Offerings

Offertory Make Me a Channel of Your Peace -Sebastian Temple (During this time you may bring your Ministry Bag to the altar.)

†Doxology Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow UMH #94

†Offering Prayer

†Hymn of the Word "Forgive Our Sins as We Forgive" UMH #390

Sharing of Our Concerns

(If you would like your prayer request to be added to the prayer list in the bulletin please indicate on the prayer request card.)

Call to Prayer Glory to God -Jacques Berthier

Silent Prayer

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, which art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy Kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for Thine is the Kingdom, and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

Anthem God, How Can We Forgive -Ruth Duck

Scripture Reading Luke 6:27-38 pew Bible, p.64

Sermon The Measure of Love

†Hymn of Faith *"Freely, Freely"* UMH #389

Dismissal with Blessing "Choral Amen"



Check out our
Donation Stations
across from the church
office and in the F&FC.

Here we collect items for various missions including:

Food Pantry - Items most needed: shampoo, conditioner, shaving cream, deodorant, toothbrushes, toothpaste, dishwashing liquid, canned fruit,. Anyone in need, either temporarily or regularly, may visit the Food Pantry on Mondays from 3:30 – 5:30pm. The Pantry is located behind HUMC on 3rd Street.

Homeless Outreach Sample size or hotel shampoos and soap. These are given to area homeless shelters.

Life Challenge - Life Challenge is a Christian Residential Center created to help women with life controlling issues. We support this program by providing gently-used clothing, household items, and small furniture for their Resale Shop in Dillsboro.

Printer Cartridges: Collected for Highlands School. Please bring in a Ziplock bag.

Eye Glasses - Glasses are for multiple mission projects

Can Tabs - collected for the Ronald McDonald House

Box Tops for Education - Collected for the Highlands School

Blank Note Cards - Used for special projects

Prayer Bear Ministry - Gently used small stuffed bears

Blue Ridge Free Dental Clinic - new toothbrushes and sample size toothpaste

Humane Society - food and treats for dogs and cats

A Word from our Ministries Team - It's an exciting time in these early days of 2019 to focus on our existing ministries, as well as looking forward to new ministries in the coming year. Please remember that we would love to hear any any ideas about potential projects - big or small.

Church Staff: Rev. Randy Lucas, Senior Pastor; Les Scott, Minister of Music; Sonja DeFoor, Office Manager; Keith Crawford, Financial Secretary; Christine Murphy, Director of Children & Youth Ministries; Sherry Bruner, Pianist; Marlene & Gary Nix, Sextons; Kristy Lewis, Food Services Director; Terri Kennedy, Nursery Attendant

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The 9:09 Service: Sermon: Randy Lucas; Worship Leader: Jeanie Edwards; Greeters: Team 3; Technologist: Elizabeth Gordon

The 9:09 Band: Lee Ladensack - Vocals & guitar; Dakota Waddell - Bass; Charles Wood - Banjo; Jim Yoder - Mandolin

10:50 Worship Leaders: Sermon: Randy Lucas; Minister of Music: Les Scott; Pianist: Sherry Bruner; Lay Reader: Jason Moore

Serving our 10:50 Service: Ushers: Team 3: Team Leader: Lora Speed-Beegle; Team Members: Alan Marsh, Dave Cashion, Luke Osteen, Tricia Smith





Highlands United Methodist Church February 24, 2019